

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

06-60266

CR-MORENO

MAGISTRATE JUDGE
BRANTON

Case No.

18 U.S.C. § 1349

18 U.S.C. § 1344

18 U.S.C. § 1028A(a)(1)

18 U.S.C. § 1028

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

SHAMECA WALTERS,
NAREAKA DAVIS,
CORITHIA JOHNSON,
DEVIAN ROBINSON,
ANITA PROBY,
TERESA HOWARD MASON,
EDITH BAKER,
DIANA LEATHERS,
ROLAND EVANS,
JERRI MARINI,
and
JUNE POLKOWSKI,

Defendants.

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INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges that:

COUNT 1

(CONSPIRACY 18 U.S.C. §1349)

1. From in or about January 2002, and continuing thereafter until on or about the date of the return of this Indictment, in Broward, Palm Beach, and Miami-Dade Counties, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

**SHAMECA WALTERS,
NAREAKA DAVIS,
CORITHIA JOHNSON,
DEVIAN ROBINSON,
ANITA PROBY,
TERESA HOWARD MASON,
EDITH BAKER,
DIANA LEATHERS,
ROLAND EVANS,
JERRI MARINI,
and
JUNE POLKOWSKI,**

did knowingly and intentionally combine, conspire, confederate and agree with each other and with persons known and unknown to the Grand Jury to commit an offense against the United States, that is, to knowingly execute and attempt to execute a scheme and artifice to defraud financial institutions, to wit: Bank of America, Wachovia Bank, First National Bank and Trust, Capital One, Washington Mutual, Grand Bank and Trust, Fidelity Federal, Colonial Bank, Marine Bank and Trust, BankAtlantic, AmTrust, Union Planters Bank, Commercial Bank of Florida, and SunTrust, the deposits of which were insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and Merck, Sharp & Dohme, a credit union with accounts insured by the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund, and to obtain monies, funds, credits, assets, securities, and other property owned by and under the custody and control of these financial institutions, by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1344.

OBJECT OF CONSPIRACY

2. It was the object of the conspiracy that the Defendants **SHAMECA WALTERS, NAREAKA DAVIS, CORITHIA JOHNSON, DEVIAN ROBINSON, ANITA PROBY, TERESA HOWARD MASON, EDITH BAKER, DIANA LEATHERS, ROLAND EVANS,**

JERRI MARINI, and **JUNE POLKOWSKI**, and others unjustly enriched themselves and others, through the uttering and cashing of stolen checks at Bank of America, Wachovia Bank, First National Bank and Trust, Capital One, Washington Mutual, Grand Bank and Trust, Fidelity Federal, Colonial Bank, Marine Bank and Trust, BankAtlantic, AmTrust, Union Planters Bank, Commercial Bank of Florida, and SunTrust, and Merck, Sharp & Dohme, using stolen, false, and fraudulent identification.

MANNER AND MEANS

3. Defendant **SHAMECA WALTERS** recruited others to participate in bank fraud. She obtained stolen identification and stolen checks and distributed them to others to negotiate the stolen checks. **SHAMECA WALTERS** and other co-conspirators committed thefts of identifications, checks, debit cards, and credit cards from various victims and used those stolen checks and identifications herself, or provided those stolen checks and identifications to other co-conspirators, who then traveled to the various banks and negotiated the checks. **SHAMECA WALTERS** provided co-conspirators with wigs, hats, sunglasses, and other items to disguise their appearances.

4. Defendant **NAREAKA DAVIS** was a close friend of **SHAMECA WALTERS**, and she recruited other co-conspirators to participate in bank fraud. She assisted **WALTERS** in organizing the others and obtained stolen, false and fraudulent identifications and stolen checks, provided them to others, and directed the others to negotiate the checks. **NAREAKA DAVIS** provided co-conspirators with wigs, hats, sunglasses, and other items to disguise their appearances.

5. Defendant **CORITHIA JOHNSON** was a close friend of **SHAMECA WALTERS**, and she recruited other co-conspirators to participate in bank fraud. She assisted **WALTERS** in organizing the others and obtained stolen, false and fraudulent identifications and stolen checks,

provided them to others, and directed the others to negotiate the checks. Defendant **CORITHIA JOHNSON** obtained stolen identification and stolen checks from **TERESA HOWARD MASON**, and traveled to the banks and negotiated checks using the names and identifications of victims she was impersonating.

6. Defendant **DEVIAN ROBINSON** obtained stolen identification and stolen checks from **TERESA HOWARD MASON** and **CORITHIA JOHNSON**. Armed with the stolen identification and stolen checks, **ROBINSON** traveled to the banks and negotiated checks using the names and identifications of victims he was impersonating.

7. Defendant **ANITA PROBY** obtained stolen identification and stolen checks from **SHAMECA WALTERS**. Armed with the stolen identification and checks, **PROBY** traveled to the banks and negotiated checks using the names and identifications of victims she was impersonating.

8. Defendant **TERESA HOWARD MASON** obtained stolen identification and stolen checks from **SHAMECA WALTERS** and **NAREAKA DAVIS**. **TERESA HOWARD MASON** obtained the stolen checks and stolen identification, completed the checks and provided the stolen checks and identifications to co-conspirators who then negotiated the checks at the banks. **TERESA HOWARD MASON** accompanied co-conspirators to the banks to complete their transactions.

9. Defendant **EDITH BAKER** obtained stolen identification and stolen checks from **SHAMECA WALTERS** and **NAREAKA DAVIS**. Armed with the stolen identification and checks, **BAKER** traveled to the banks and negotiated checks using the names and identifications of victims she was impersonating.

10. Defendant **DIANA LEATHERS** obtained stolen identification and stolen checks from **SHAMECA WALTERS**. Armed with the stolen identification and checks, **LEATHERS** traveled

to the banks and negotiated checks using the names and identifications of victims she was impersonating. **LEATHERS** used a false and fraudulent driver's license in the name of an individual with the initials "T.S.," which she obtained from the Florida Department of Motor Vehicles, to cash checks.

11. Defendant **ROLAND EVANS** was responsible for obtaining stolen identification and checks. Through the perpetration of robberies, auto burglaries, distraction thefts, and purse snatchings, he obtained checks, credit cards, debit cards, and identification from various victims and provided them to **SHAMECA WALTERS**.

12. Defendant **JERRI MARINI** obtained stolen identification and stolen checks from **CORITHIA JOHNSON** and **NAREAKA DAVIS**. Armed with the stolen identification and checks, **MARINI** entered the banks and cashed checks using the names and identifications of victims she was impersonating. She wore wigs, sunglasses, hats, and other items supplied by **NAREAKA DAVIS** to hide her true identity.

13. Defendant **JUNE POLKOWSKI** obtained stolen identification and stolen checks from **SHAMECA WALTERS** and **NAREAKA DAVIS**. Armed with the stolen identification and checks, **POLKOWSKI** entered the banks and cashed checks using the names and identifications of victims she was impersonating. She wore wigs, sunglasses, hats and other items provided by **NAREAKA DAVIS** to hide her true identity.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1349.

COUNTS 2-26
(BANK FRAUD 18 U.S.C. §1344)

14. The allegations contained in paragraphs 1-13 of this Indictment are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

15. From on or about January 2002, and continuing thereafter until on or about the date of the return of this Indictment, in Broward, Palm Beach, and Miami-Dade Counties, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

**SHAMECA WALTERS,
NAREAKA DAVIS,
CORITHIA JOHNSON,
DEVIAN ROBINSON,
ANITA PROBY,
TERESA HOWARD MASON,
EDITH BAKER,
DIANA LEATHERS,
ROLAND EVANS,
JERRI MARINI,
and
JUNE POLKOWSKI,**

and others, did knowingly and willfully execute and attempt to execute a scheme and artifice to defraud financial institutions, to wit: Bank of America, Wachovia Bank, First National Bank and Trust, Capital One, Washington Mutual, Grand Bank and Trust, Fidelity Federal, Colonial Bank, Marine Bank and Trust, BankAtlantic, AmTrust, Union Planters Bank, Commercial Bank of Florida, and SunTrust, the deposits of which were insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and Merck, Sharp & Dohme, a credit union with accounts insured by the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund, and to obtain monies, funds, credits, assets, securities, and other property owned by and under the custody and control of these financial institutions, in an amount of approximately \$1,000,000, by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

OBJECT OF THE SCHEME AND ARTIFICE

16. It was the object of the scheme and artifice to defraud for the defendants and others to obtain money through the uttering and cashing of falsely made and fraudulent checks to Bank of America, Wachovia Bank, First National Bank and Trust, Capital One, Washington Mutual, Grand

Bank and Trust, Fidelity Federal, Colonial Bank, Marine Bank and Trust, BankAtlantic, AmTrust, Union Planters Bank, Commercial Bank of Florida, SunTrust, and Merck, Sharp & Dohme, using stolen, false and fraudulent identification.

MANNER AND MEANS

The manner and means utilized to accomplish the object of the scheme and artifice to defraud included, among other things, the following:

17. Defendant **ROLAND EVANS** and others were responsible for obtaining stolen identification and checks. Through the perpetration of robberies, auto burglaries, distraction thefts, and purse snatchings, **EVANS** obtained checks, credit cards, debit cards, and identification from various victims and provided them to Defendant **SHAMECA WALTERS**.

18. Defendant **SHAMECA WALTERS** obtained stolen checks and stolen identification, completed the blank, stolen checks, and provided the checks and identifications to other co-conspirators who negotiated the checks at the bank.

19. Defendant **NAREAKA DAVIS** worked with **WALTERS** and recruited co-conspirators to whom they provided stolen checks and stolen identification. **DAVIS** and **WALTERS** found check cashers who resembled the victims of the stolen identification and checks and had them impersonate those victims in order to negotiate the checks.

20. Defendants **SHAMECA WALTERS** and **NAREAKA DAVIS** often times provided check cashers with wigs, hats, sunglasses and other items that enabled the cashers to more closely resemble the photographs on the stolen identification.

21. Defendants **SHAMECA WALTERS** and **THERESA HOWARD MASON** filled in the blank checks and drove the co-conspirators to the banks so that they could negotiate the checks that **WALTERS** and **HOWARD MASON** had completed.

22. Defendants **CORITHIA JOHNSON, DEVIAN ROBINSON, ANITA PROBY, EDITH BAKER, DIANA LEATHERS, ROLAND EVANS, JERRI MARINI, JUNE POLKOWSKI** and others used the stolen identification documents and stolen checks provided by defendants **SHAMECA WALTERS, NAREAKA DAVIS, and TERESA HOWARD MASON,** to cash and deposit stolen checks at drive-through lanes of financial institutions, where identification of the suspects by tellers was difficult, and inside the bank.

23. Defendants **CORITHIA JOHNSON, DEVIAN ROBINSON, ANITA PROBY, EDITH BAKER, DIANA LEATHERS, ROLAND EVANS, JERRI MARINI, JUNE POLKOWSKI** and others used the stolen identification documents and the stolen checks for bank account takeovers, where the co-conspirators impersonated the legitimate account holders, changed the addresses on the accounts and then made unauthorized withdrawals on the accounts.

EXECUTIONS OF THE SCHEME

24. On or about the dates as set forth as to each count below, in execution of the scheme and artifice to defraud, defendants **SHAMECA WALTERS, NAREAKA DAVIS, CORITHIA JOHNSON, DEVIAN ROBINSON, ANITA PROBY, TERESA HOWARD MASON, EDITH BAKER, DIANA LEATHERS, ROLAND EVANS, JERRI MARINI, and JUNE POLKOWSKI,** caused funds from customers' bank accounts at Bank of America, Wachovia Bank, First National Bank and Trust, Capital One, Washington Mutual, Grand Bank and Trust, Fidelity Federal, Colonial Bank, Marine Bank and Trust, BankAtlantic, AmTrust, Union Planters Bank, Commercial Bank of Florida, SunTrust, and Merck, Sharp & Dohme, to be withdrawn without their authorization, as set forth below:

COUNT	DATE	DEFENDANTS	BANK TRANSACTION
2	8/06/03	LEATHERS	Attempted withdrawal of \$3,000 from T.S.'s Wachovia account.
3	8/8/03	WALTERS/ LEATHERS	Negotiation of check #10190 drawn on DTAS' Wachovia account and made payable to T.S. in the amount of \$983
4	11/05/03	WALTERS/DAVIS/ PROBY	Negotiation of check #517 drawn on S.E.'s Wachovia account and made payable to A.F.L. in the amount of \$987
5	12/08/03	WALTERS	Negotiation of check #1450 drawn on C.R.'s Merck, Sharp & Dohme account and made payable to S.Q. in the amount of \$1,450
6	12/23/03	WALTERS	Deposit of check #1612 on L.A.'s Bank of America account deposited to B.M. in the amount of \$1,140
7	1/02/04	WALTERS	Negotiation of check #298 drawn on O.B & T.B.'s Bank Atlantic account and made payable to M.P. in the amount of \$2,740
8	3/16/04	WALTERS	Negotiation of check #2282 drawn on S.Q.'s Washington Mutual account and made payable to S.E. in the amount of \$2,650.
9	4/15/04	PROBY	Negotiation of check #2154 drawn on K.D.'s Wachovia account and made payable to A.F.L. in the amount of \$986
10	6/15/04	PROBY/EVANS/ HOWARD MASON	Negotiation of check #110 drawn on H.B.'s Capital One account and made payable to A.F.L. in the amount of \$725
11	7/01/04	WALTERS/DAVIS/ BAKER	Attempted negotiation of check #6518 drawn on G.B.'s Wachovia account and made payable to L.C.L. in the amount of \$2,875
12	7/06/04	POLKOWSKI	Withdrawal of \$1,650 from G.B.'s Wachovia account
13	7/09/04	WALTERS/ POLKOWSKI	Negotiation of check #952 drawn on N.M.'s Washington Mutual account and made payable to L.L. in the amount of \$985
14	7/09/04	WALTERS/DAVIS/ BAKER	Negotiation of check #955 drawn on N.M.'s Washington Mutual account and made payable to G.L. in the amount of \$960

COUNT	DATE	DEFENDANTS	BANK TRANSACTION
15	7/09/04	WALTERS/ POLKOWSKI	Attempted negotiation of check #954 drawn on N.M.'s Washington Mutual account and made payable to L.L. in the amount of \$1,950
16	8/13/04	WALTERS/DAVIS/ BAKER	Negotiation of check #1018 drawn on J.A.'s Wachovia account and made payable to R.M.D. in the amount of \$4,875
17	8/19/04	EVANS	Withdrawal of \$2,000 from S.B.'s Washington Mutual account
18	4/20/05	JOHNSON	Negotiation of check #511 drawn on B.D.'s Commercial Bank of Florida account and made payable to M.C. in the amount of \$945
19	4/20/05	JOHNSON	Negotiation of check #513 drawn on B.D.'s Commercial Bank of Florida account and made payable to M.C. in the amount of \$782
20	5/25/05	JOHNSON	Negotiation of check #537 drawn on B.D.'s Commercial Bank of Florida account and made payable to S.L. in the amount of \$1,300
21	5/26/05	ROBINSON	Negotiation of check #477 drawn on B.D.'s Commercial Bank of Florida account and made payable to S.L. in the amount of \$1,375
22	6/14/05	ROBINSON	Negotiation of check #242 drawn on D.L.'s Bank Atlantic account and made payable to I.B. in the amount of \$1,950
23	6/20/05	ROBINSON/ JOHNSON	Negotiation of check #489 drawn on B.D.'s Commercial Bank of Florida account and made payable to I.B. in the amount of \$1,830
24	6/21/05	MARINI	Withdrawal of \$15,000 from the Bank of America account of T.T.
25	6/22/05	MARINI	Withdrawal of \$15,000 from the Bank of America account of T.T.
26	6/29/05	MARINI	Withdrawal of \$18,500 from the Bank of America account of T.T.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1344 and 2.

COUNTS 27-43
(AGGRAVATED IDENTITY THEFT 18 U.S.C. §1028A)

25. The allegations contained in paragraphs 1-13 of this Indictment are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

26. From on or about July 21, 2004, until on or about the date of the return of this Indictment, in Broward, Palm Beach, and Miami-Dade Counties, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

**SHAMECA WALTERS,
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CORITHIA JOHNSON,
DEVIAN ROBINSON,
ANITA PROBY,
TERESA HOWARD MASON,
EDITH BAKER,
DIANA LEATHERS,
ROLAND EVANS,
JERRI MARINI,
and
JUNE POLKOWSKI,**

during and in relation to a felony contained in Title 18, United States Code, Chapter 63, that is, bank fraud, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1344, as charged in Counts 2-26 of this Indictment, did knowingly and willfully transfer, possess and use without lawful authority, a means of identification of another person, to wit, the name, driver's license number, and date of birth, any one of which would constitute a violation, as set forth in the individual counts below:

COUNT	DATE	DEFENDANT	IDENTIFICATION	VICTIM'S INITIALS
27	7/22/04	WALTERS/BAKER	Driver's license, Date of Birth, Name	L.P.
28	8/13/04	WALTERS/BAKER/DAVIS	Driver's license, Date of Birth, Name	R.M.D.
29	8/14/04	WALTERS/BAKER/DAVIS	Driver's license, Date of Birth, Name	R.D.

COUNT	DATE	DEFENDANT	IDENTIFICATION	VICTIM'S INITIALS
30	8/19/04	EVANS	Driver's license, Date of Birth, Name	S.B.
31	9/16/04	PROBY/HOWARD MASON	Driver's license, Date of Birth, Name	J.K.
32	4/19/05	JOHNSON	Driver's license, Date of Birth, Name	M.C.
33	5/25/05	JOHNSON	Driver's license, Date of Birth, Name	S.L.
34	5/26/05	ROBINSON	Driver's license, Date of Birth, Name	S.L.
35	6/15/05	ROBINSON	Driver's license, Date of Birth, Name	I.B.
36	6/18/05	ROBINSON/JOHNSON	Driver's license, Date of Birth, Name	I.B.
37	6/21/05	MARINI	Driver's license, Date of Birth, Name	T.T.
38	6/22/05	MARINI	Driver's license, Date of Birth, Name	T.T.
39	6/29/05	MARINI	Driver's license, Date of Birth, Name	T.T.
40	10/25/04	POLKOWSKI	Driver's license, Date of Birth, Name	C.M.
41	4/10/06	ROBINSON/JOHNSON/ HOWARD MASON	Social Security card, Name, Social Security number	B.K.
42	4/10/06	ROBINSON/JOHNSON/ HOWARD MASON	Driver's license, Date of Birth, Name	C.C.
43	4/10/06	ROBINSON/JOHNSON/ HOWARD MASON	Driver's license, Date of Birth, Name	J.D.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1028A(a)(1) and (c)(5) and 2.

COUNT 44
(IDENTITY THEFT 18 U.S.C. §1028)

27. The allegations contained in paragraphs 1-13 of this Indictment are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

28. From in or about January 2002, and continuing thereafter until on or about the date of the return of this Indictment, in Broward, Palm Beach, and Miami-Dade Counties, in the Southern District of Florida, and elsewhere, the defendants,

**SHAMECA WALTERS,
NAREAKA DAVIS,
CORITHIA JOHNSON,
ROLAND EVANS,
and
TERESA HOWARD MASON,**

did knowingly transfer and cause to be transferred, identification documents, that is, driver's licenses and Social Security cards, knowing that such documents were stolen, with an effect on interstate and foreign commerce, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1028(a)(2), (c)(3)(A), and (b)(3)(B), and 2.

FORFEITURE

1. The allegations of Counts 1- 44 of this Indictment are realleged and incorporated by reference for the purpose of alleging forfeitures to the United States of America, pursuant to the provisions of Title 18, United States Code, 982(a)(2)(B) and 981(a)(1)(c), and the procedures outlined in Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), as incorporated by Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461.

2. Upon conviction of any violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1028, defendant **NAREAKA DAVIS** shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(a)(2)(B), any property constituting, or derived from, proceeds the person obtained directly or indirectly, as the result of such violation, and any property used, or intended to be used,

in any manner or part, to commit or facilitate the commission of such violations, including but not limited to the property described below.

3. The property subject to forfeiture includes, but is not limited to, the following:

**A white 2002 4-door Jaguar, Vehicle Identification Number
SAJEA51C82WC28941, Florida Tag E142HX.**

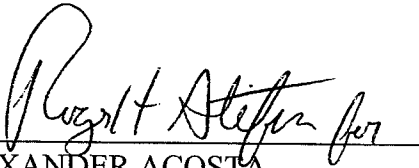
4. If any of the property or proceeds described above as being subject to forfeiture pursuant to any violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1028, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:

- A: cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- B: has been transferred, or sold to, or deposited with a third person;
- C: has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
- D: has been substantially diminished in value; or
- E: has been commingled with other property which cannot be subdivided without difficulty;

it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), as incorporated by Title 18, United States Code, Section 982(b) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c) to seek forfeiture of any other property of the defendant up to the value of the above forfeitable property or to seek the return of the property to the jurisdiction of the Court so that the property may be seized and forfeited.

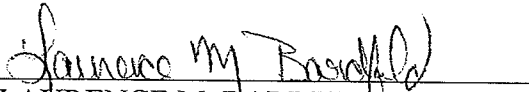
All pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Sections 982(a)(2)(B) and 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), as incorporated by Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461.

A TRUE BILL.

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R. ALEXANDER ACOSTA
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

GRAND JURY FOREPERSON

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LAURENCE M. BARDFELD
ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY